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The young man's name Midou Ginnosuke. With his grandmother and her cat Anzu, they should have lived a quiet life but one morning the cat Anzu was suddenly able to change into a human!! On her own, she was keeping a promise made with Grandmother, to work hard to become Ginnosuke's older sister though she was always failing. However Ginnosuke knew Anzu's a sterly heart, watching warmly over him. This is the start of "Ane-chan" and Ginnosuke's life together!

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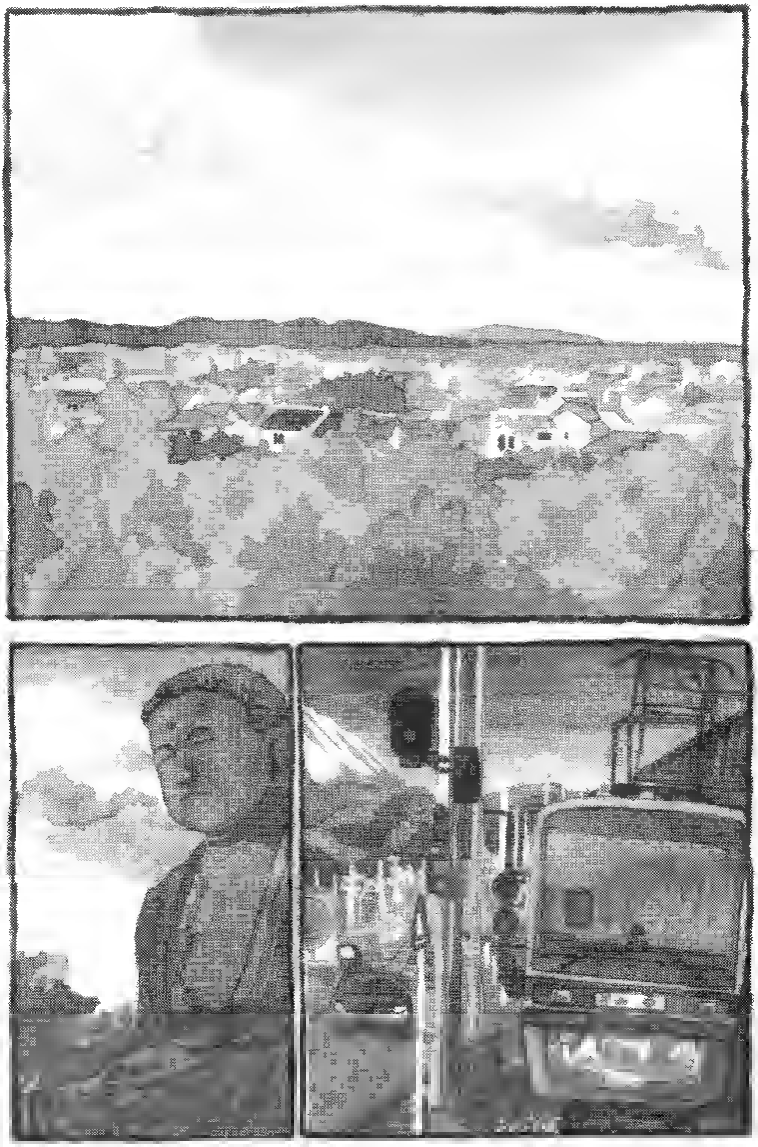

江ノ島電鉄
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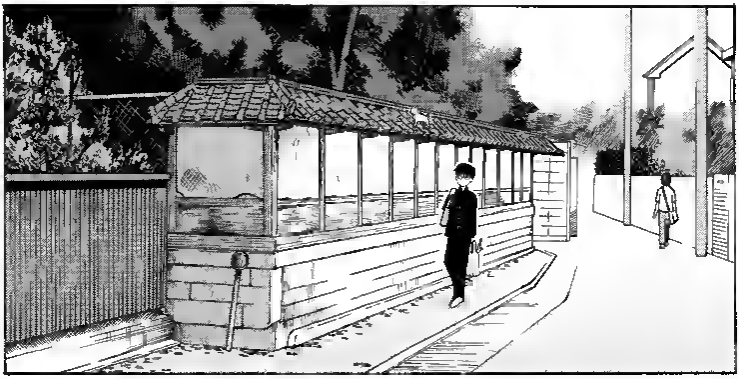
SIONOMORI STATION

YO! WELCOME, GINBOU!!
HELLO!

OH!

YOU AREN'T KIDDING!
LIVING TOGETHER JUST THE TWO OF YOU, YOU BOTH HAVE TO DO YOUR PART.
You're good!
TODAY'S YOUR TURN TO DO THE SHOPPING?
IT SEEMS SHE'S GOT A GUILD MEETING TODAY ...
HISS...
SHE'S MAD...
HEY, ANZU!
SORRY, SORRY. THE LITTLE LADY IS FAMILY TOO.



I'M BACK ...
Since he was a little kid,
he's been living with his grandmother.

Was there anything I forgot to buy?
The young man's name: Midou Ginnosuke

One pet cat: Anzu.
... And ...

GOOD NIGHT, ANZU.
NYA AA ...
IT LOOKS LIKE GRANDMA WAS ALREADY CARING FOR HER BEFORE I CAME HERE...
THOUGH HER FUR LOOKS UNEXPECTEDLY YOUNG.
WHICH REMINDS ME...
ANZU'S ALREADY RATHER OLD, ISN'T SHE...

CHIRP CHIRP...
?
HE... HEAVY ...
Ugh
BLEARY EYED...
WHA... WHAT THE?
SOME-THING'S ON TOP OF ME...

CRACK...
UNY AN ...
PURR...

SFX: SURPRISE
UWAAAAA!!
WHA... WHAT THE? WHAT THE HECK'S HAPPENING...?
A NAKED GIRL IN MY ROOM?
AND... BESIDES, THOSE...
CA... CAT EARS?
WHAT'S GOING ON, GINNOSUKE!?
SFX: WHAM!!

HAVE... HAVE I INTERRUPTED SOMETHING?
NO, GRANDMA, THIS ISN'T WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE...
AH...
IT'S... IT'S OKAY! GRAND-MOTHER UNDER-STANDS COM-PLETELY.
NO!! YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND AT ALL, GRAND-MOTHER!!
UU~ ~~
NNYA ?
WHAT IS IT?
SO NOISY~

WHOA AA!!
WHAT? GIN-CHAN, HAVE YOU GOTTEN A BIT SMALLER?
EEP...
HEY... WHAT'S WITH YOU!?
PUT SOME CLOTHES ON!!
EH?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
OR RATHER, WHO ARE YOU!?

AREN'T I ANZU?
OH?
OH?
ANZU~ ~~?
HUH?
NYAAA... MY PAWS HAVE BEEN STOLEN!!
This is serious!!

IT'S MY FIRST LIFE AS A CAT!
WHEN I WOKE UP THIS MORNING, I'D TURNED INTO A HUMAN...
Incredible...
HMM...
?
WHAT THE HECK CAUSED...
...I MEAN, ARE YOU REALLY ANZU?
PFFF PFFF
DON'T BE SO CAREFREE...
THE TIP OF HER TAIL HAS DIVIDED IN TWO, SEE...
NYA?

SHE HAD A VERY LONG LIFE,
SO THAT IS THE RESULT.
I only just noticed
My tail!!!
WOW, YOU'RE RIGHT!!
SO IT SEEMS.
HOT!!
WASN'T THAT... A CAT YOUKAI?
YOU BECAME A NEKOMATA, EH?
A NEKO ... MATA?
A CAT THAT LIVES MORE THAN TEN YEARS...
OR THIRTY... OR A HUNDRED, DEPENDING ON THE STORY.
IN THE OLD DAYS, THEY SAID THAT LONG-LIVED CATS WOULD BECOME NEKOMATA.

ANZU BECAME A NEKOMATA
AND CAN NOW TAKE HUMAN FORM.
HAA...
ARE YOU SERI-OUS...?
A CAT YOUKAI? ANZU?
....
I don't get it
MUNCH! MUNCH!
BECOME HUMAN?
HAVE I...
?
...BUT, IS THIS SO?
YOU'RE ONE WHO'S TOO SOFT.
I'M NORMAL!
WHAT A HARD HEADED KID YOU ARE!!

EHEHE...
TAP TAP TAP...
HM?
!
Though I'm really late.
FOR NOW, I'M HEADING FOR SCHOOL.
WELL, CAN I DENY THE REALITY BEFORE ME...?

AS USUAL = TO THE SCHOOL GATE
whisper, whisper
Have a good day!
EH?
WHY ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME?
SEEING YOU OFF, AS USUAL.
NO!
EH!!
HM...
NO, NOT TODAY...
I THINK THAT SCENE WOULD HAVE ALL SORTS OF PROB-LEMS...
GLOOM AND DOOM
WHY??

HM?
HEY, MIDOU.
UH-HUH.
AH, SOME THINGS HAPPENED THIS MORNING.
YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT?
NO, I'M GOOD.
SEEING YOU LATE IS RATHER UNUSUAL.
I CAN'T REALLY TALK ABOUT HOW OUR HOUSE CAT TURNED INTO A GIRL, NOW CAN I?
WHOA. THERE'S A BEAUTIFUL GIRL WITH CAT EARS!!
Incredible
She'd doubt my sanity.
RATTLE

!
SFX
JUMPS
UP
OH!
LET'S GO PLAY...
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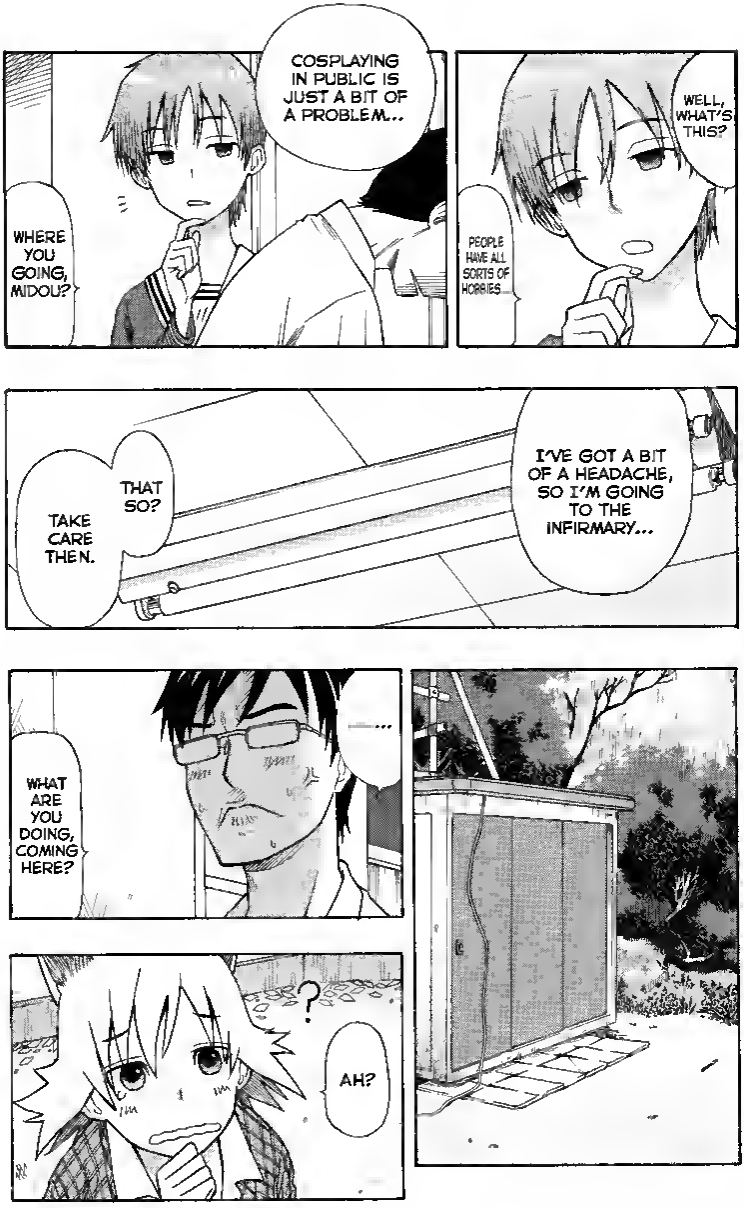
I FOUND GIN -CHAN!
♡
SOME-BODY YOU KNOW, MIDOU?


COSPLAYING IN PUBLIC IS JUST A BIT OF A PROBLEM...
WHERE YOU GOING, MIDOU?
WELL, WHAT'S THIS?
PEOPLE HAVE ALL SORTS OF HOBBIES...
I'VE GOT A BIT OF A HEADACHE, SO I'M GOING TO THE INFIRMARY...
THAT SO?
TAKE CARE THEN.
...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, COMING HERE?
AH?

HEY, ANZU.
HIGH SCHOOL IS A PLACE FOR STUDY-ING.
MY BIG SISTER ?
WELL...
IT'S A BIG PROBLEM WHEN YOU GET BORED...
SO YOUR BIG SISTER CAME OVER TO PLAY WITH YOU...
AND SHOWING CAT EARS AND A TAIL IN EVERYDAY LIFE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
BUT... WHY!!?
BU... BUT THE BOOK IN YOUR CLOSET SAID SO, AND EVEN HAD GIRLS...
SFX: GRAB
!!

He ee ee
Help meee!!
And in human society, there is such a thing as privacy, Anzu...
Can you return to cat form?
Then when you go walking outside, do so in cat form.
Deal with it.
From now on, when you're outside as a cat, you're not allowed to speak like a human.
Ehh~~ !!
Eh? Yes. That's okay, but...

TH... THAT'S TOO...
WELL, SHE MIGHT BE KINDA CUTE, BUT...
IT WOULD BE A MESS IF HER SECRET GOT OUT...
JUST AS I FINALLY...
GET TO BE LIKE GIN-CHAN'S OLDER SISTER...
?
DID YOU SAY SOME-THING?
NOT PARTIC-ULARLY...

I'M HOME~
.....
SILENCE
.....
AH~~
ISN'T IT ALL RIGHT TO BE IN HUMAN FORM AT HOME?
.....

Hmm..
.....
!

SWISH
SWISH
CHING
CHING
HEY LOOK, ANZU!
?
SFX SWISH
YOU... YOU WON'T GET ME...
IN A GOOD MOOD WITH SOMETHING LIKE THAT!!
Don't Be an Idiot!
WHA... WHAT IS THIS ...!?
AM I A NEKO-MATA?
SFX CHING
TWITCH...

NYAA!
NYAA!

Waha.
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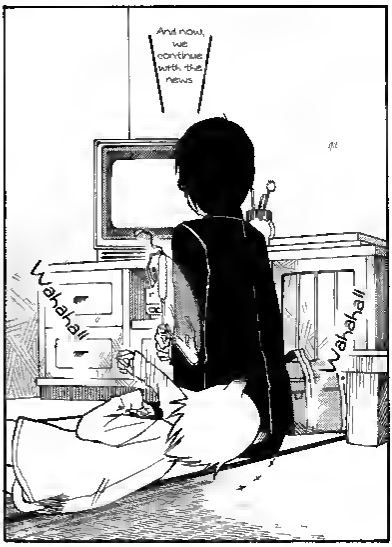
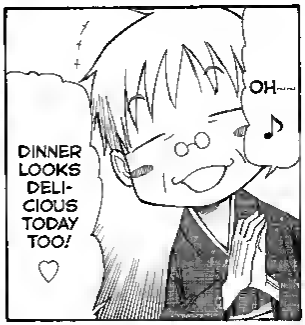

And now, we continue with the news
Wahaha!!
Wahaha!!

...WAIT! ISN'T THIS WRONG !?
WHOA!!

HUH?
HAA...
I'M SUPPOSED TO MAKE THINGS FUN FOR GIN-CHAN!!
Are you an idiot?
YOU PLAYED WITH ME, SO WHAT SHALL I DO!?
SO, GIN-CHAN!! WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE FROM YOUR OLDER SISTER?
So! So!
HUH?
NO... HOLD ON...
AH!!
THAT'S IT! I'LL MAKE YOU DINNER!!
It just occurred to me!
EH?

SPARKLE
SPARKLE

Even though I wanted to make it myself, even though I could have done it absolutely perfectly.
O-O
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE


OH~~
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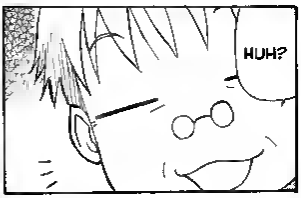
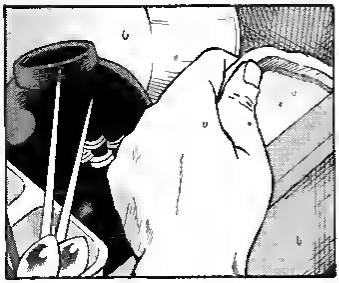
DINNER LOOKS DELICIOUS TODAY TOO!
♡

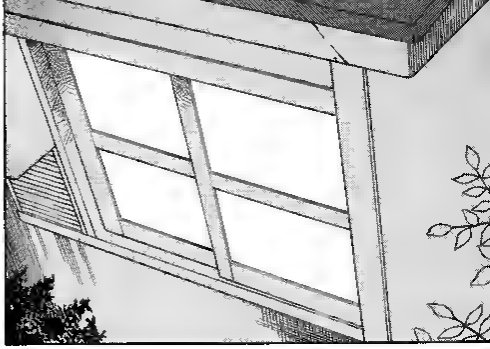

HUH?

...GIN-NO-SUKE
HM?
WHISPER, WHISPER
SHE SAID SHE'D MAKE DINNER, BUT I WOULDN'T LET HER.
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN?

Well, we can't let the ingredients it go to waste.
OH YEAH.
GOOD JOB!!

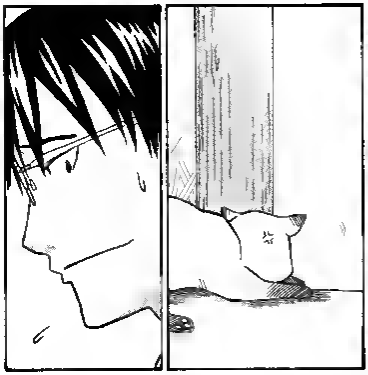
SNIFF...
UUUU...





WELL GRANDMA, THE BATH-ROOM'S YOURS NEXT.
You've got to be kidding!!
GO AHEAD.

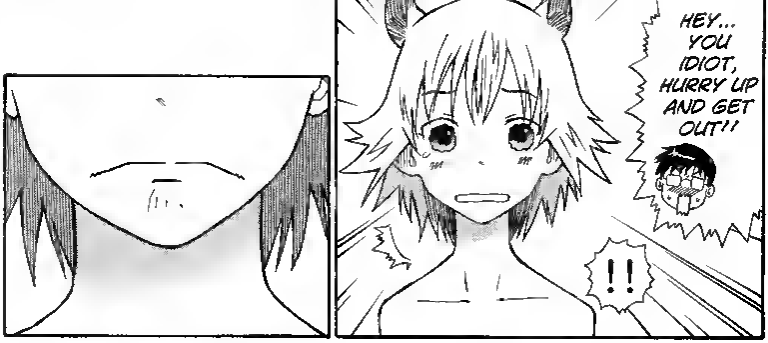
THERE !!



Vuuu~
BUT I WAS SURE SUR-PRISED TODAY ...
JEEZ
FOR ANZU TO BE ABLE TO CHANGE TO HUMAN FORM...

CREAK...
SHE SEEMED SO HAPPY TO HAVE BECOME HUMAN...
THOUGH IT WAS GOOD FOR HER TO BE A CARE-FREE CAT TOO...
CLICK...
MAY I COME IN...?
I WONDER WHY SHE WAS[SO PLEASED ...?
HUH?
NO PROB-LEM~~

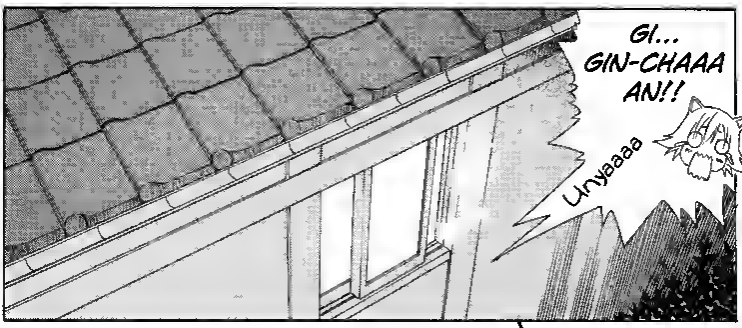
JERK...
Whoa aaaaaaa?
SPLASH
NYA?


HEY... YOU IDIOT, HURRY UP AND GET OUT!!
!!

NO WAY!

I...
HAVE BECOME HUMAN!!
WHEN I WAS A CAT...
DID YOU NOT WASH ME?
SO TODAY, I AM GOING TO WASH GIN-CHAN!!
BE-CAUSE ...
THE COOK-ING, THOUGH ...
I WILL LEAVE TO YOU!
BE-CAUSE ...
I AM GIN -CHAN'S...

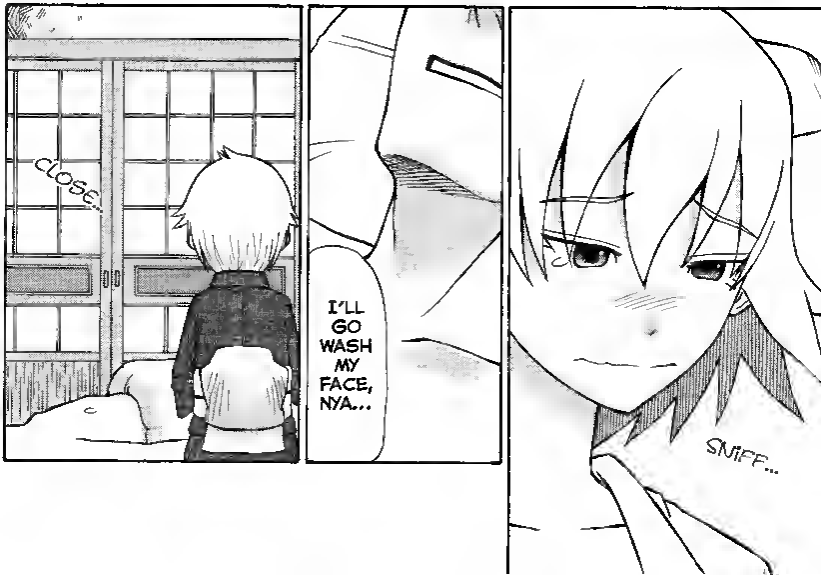
NYA!!
DIZZY...


GI... GIN-CHAAA AN!!
Unyaaaa

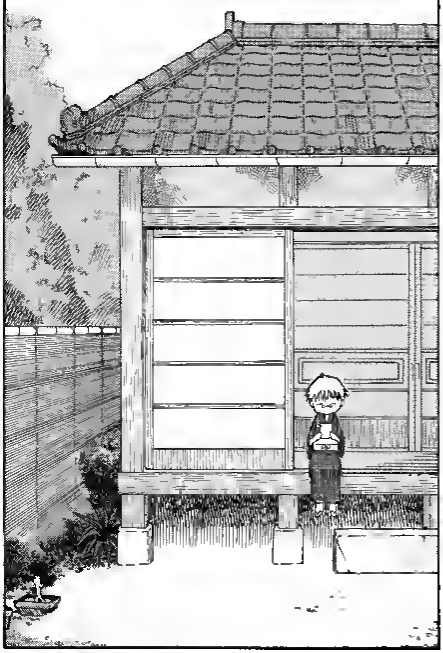
Hmmm
THE HOT WATER MADE HIM DIZZY.

UU...
DON'T WORRY, HE'LL WAKE UP IN A MOMENT.
CLENCH.
GRAND-MA...
HM?
I... BECAUSE I WAS A CAT I THOUGHT THERE WAS NO USE...
BUT... EVEN BE-COMING HUMAN, IT'S NO USE EITHER...

I CANNOT BE...
A PROPER OLDER SISTER FOR GIN-CHAN...

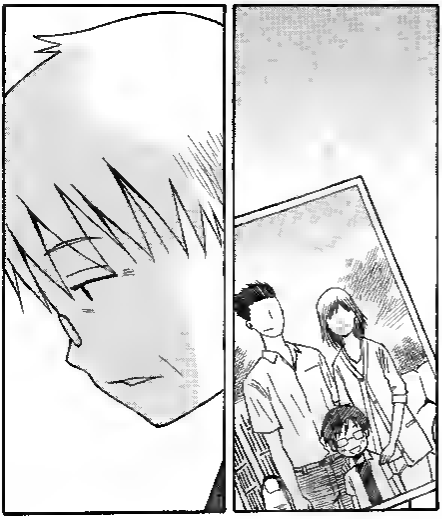

CLOSE...
I'LL GO WASH MY FACE, NYA...
SNIFF...

GRAND MA...
!
...ANZU...
GRANDMA
HM ...
YOU KNOW ...
YOU WERE AWAKE?
YES. SINCE A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
ALL DAY
TODAY, ANZU WAS
CALLING HERSELF MY OLDER SISTER.
GRANDMA, DO YOU KNOW THE REASON WHY?
AAH...



BECAUSE I ASKED IT OF HER...

SEVEN YEARS AGO...



NYAA A...
OH MY.
HAVE YOU COME TO COMFORT ME?
YOU'RE A NICE GIRL, AREN'T YOU?
...INDEED.
SAD THINGS HAPPEN IN THIS WORLD OF OURS...
DON'T THEY...?
BUT RIGHT NOW, THE PERSON MOST AFFECTED...
IS SURELY GINNOSUKE ...
...ANZU

THIS HOUSE'S FAMILY WILL BE GETTING LARGER STARTING TOMORROW, SO...
THAT'S RIGHT ...
YOU'RE PROBABLY A LITTLE OLDER, SO...
AS HIS OLDER SISTER...
WON'T YOU GET ALONG WELL WITH GINNO-SUKE?
NYAA!!

SO THAT'S IT... I NEVER KNEW...

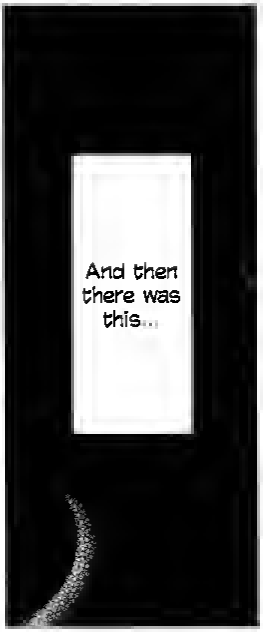
YO!
MYAA ...
HM?
YOU'RE NOT TALKING?
MYAA

I HEARD THE STORY FROM GRAND-MA...
AH-- WHAT IS IT?
THANK YOU...
YOU'VE KEPT AN EYE OUT FOR ME UP TO NOW...
BUT ...
WELL...

FROM NOW ON, I AM IN YOUR CARE.
MY BIG SISTER.

And so,
YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!!
Midou Ginnosuke got himself an older sister.

.....
YOU KNOW, SISTER MINE...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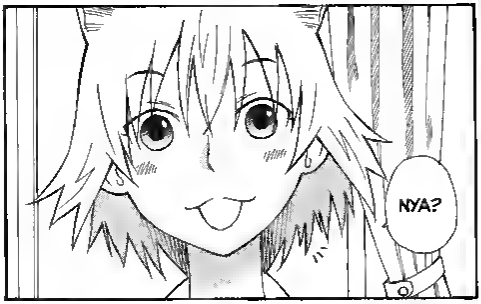
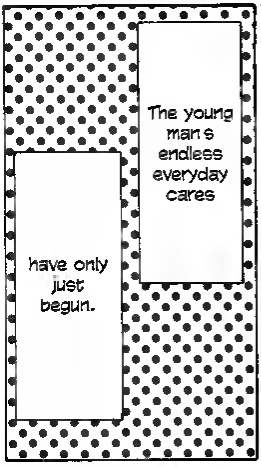
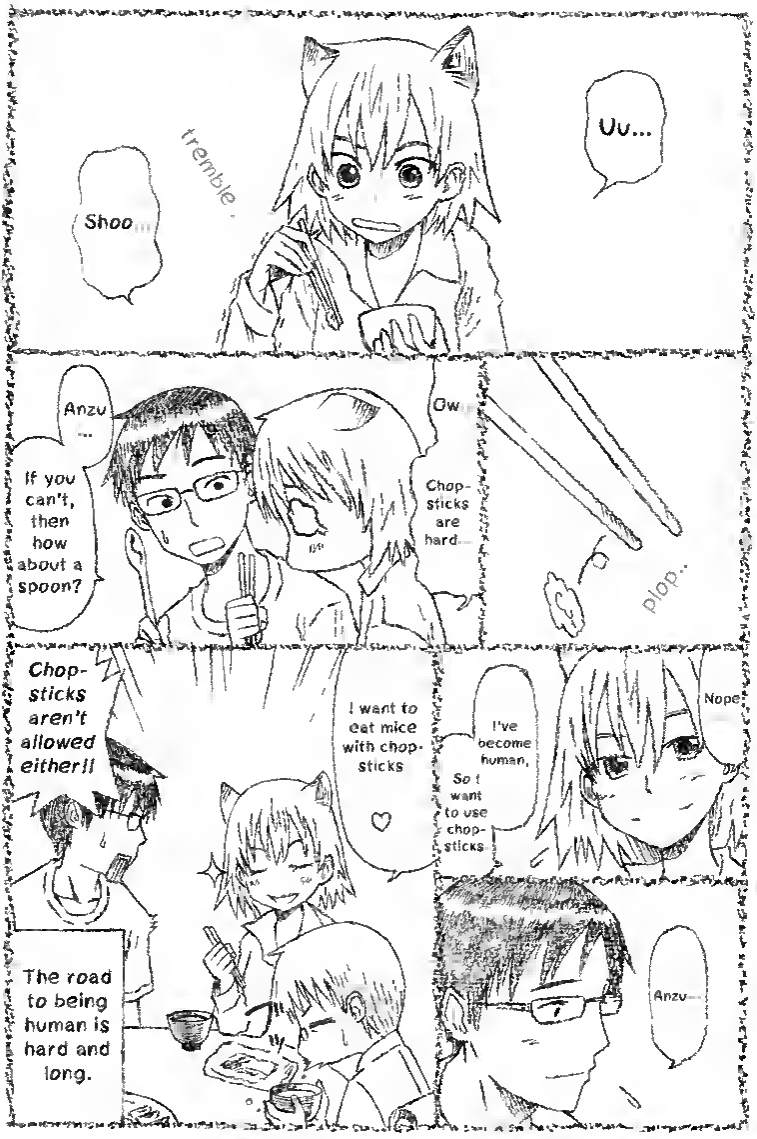

NYA?


The young man's endless everyday cares
have only just begun.

EEH—? THIS ISN'T ABOUT WHAT YOU LIKE AND DON'T LIKE, GIN-CHAN.
I'M HAPPY YOU MADE ME BREAKFAST, BUT...
DON'T GO LINING UP MICE FOR ME ON THE DINING ROOM TABLE...
IT'S NOT ABOUT TASTES!!

Chapter 1 - Afterwards



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